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Letter dated 16 September 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism and to Security Council resolution 2235 (2015), by which the Mechanism was established.

I am informed by the Mechanism that it requires additional time to complete its report to the Security Council pursuant to resolution 2235 (2015) and that, if possible, it would like to submit the report on 21 October 2016. I therefore wish to convey the request of the Mechanism that the Council give consideration to granting an extension of the mandate of the Mechanism until 31 October 2016.

I would be grateful if the present letter could be brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) **BAN Ki-moon**





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I have the honour to inform you that your letter dated 16 September 2016 (S/2016/806), referring to the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons-United Nations Joint Investigative Mechanism and to Security Council resolution 2235 (2015), has been brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

In order to permit the Joint Investigative Mechanism to complete its report to the Security Council pursuant to resolution 2235 (2015), and in light of the Mechanism's specific request for additional time, the Council, in these exceptional circumstances, approves the request to grant a short-term extension of the mandate of the Joint Investigative Mechanism until 31 October 2016.

(Signed) Gerard van Bohemen
President of the Security Council

